

**28th April 2013**  
**Fifth Sunday**  
**of Easter**



## North West Hampshire Catholic News

### Weekly Newsletter

Serving the parishes of Andover, Basingstoke, Hook, Tadley and Kingsclere

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### Thought for the Week

“Always be merciful!” With these words, Pope Francis addressed the ten men whom he ordained to the priesthood for the diocese of Rome last weekend.

Jesus, in today’s Gospel, offers us “a new commandment” – to love one another as he has loved us. It is by this love, he says, that others will know that we are his disciples. Mercy isn’t the only form of expressing our love for others but it is a powerful way. Pope Francis is well aware that Jesus came not to condemn but to save; that God so loved the world that He sent His only Son to redeem us. The Holy Father also knows that as priests we are called to lead by example. We are to recognise our own weaknesses and the love and mercy which God has lavished upon us, and then generously to pour out that same mercy and love into the lives of others.

The words of Christ, though, are not just meant for those of us who are ordained, but for all who have been baptised into Christ’s priestly, kingly and prophetic ministry. If a video of our lives were shown at the local cinema, would it be clear to the audience that we were Christian? If we were accused by others of being a disciple of the Lord, would there be enough evidence to condemn us? How would we respond to Mahatma Gandhi, who said, “I like your Christ. I do not like your Christians. Your Christians are so unlike your Christ.”

Christ was speaking at the Last Supper, 2,000 years ago, and yet his commandment is still a new one. Today, we are challenged afresh to love as He loves, to serve as He serves, to offer our lives for others, to bring healing and peace and joy. Christ is no longer with us in the same way as He was before but He is incarnate in us, if we allow Him to live in us, if we allow Love to breathe in our hearts and souls. Will they know that we are Christians by our love?

**Fr Mark Hogan**

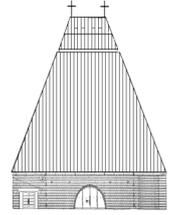
### DIOCESAN PRAYER INTENTIONS (28 April—4 May)

These are arranged so that in the course of a year we pray for each parish of our Diocese and the Catholic organisations working here. This week’s intentions are: **Sun:** Montfort Fathers in the Diocese. **Mon:** St Joseph’s, Ashhurst. **Wed:** God’s blessing on human work. **Thurs:** Parish of English Martyrs, Didcot. **Fri:** Parish of English Martyrs, Reading. **Sat:** Community of St Joseph Copnor.



## ONE PARISH, TWO CHURCHES

St. Bede's Church, Popley Way, Basingstoke, RG24 9DX  
Holy Ghost Church, Sherborne Rd. Basingstoke. RG21 5TX  
Tel 01256 465214; Parish Secretary: Liz Murphy  
www.stbedesbasingstoke.org.uk; Email: stbedes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk  
Parish Office: open Monday—Friday 9am—2pm



### Parish Diary

Sun: Fr Peter Codd will celebrate today's morning Masses; Fr Thom will celebrate today's 6.30pm; Fr Dominic is today in his other parish of Hook.  
Music ministry: 9 am Choir; 11am Cantorg  
Children's Liturgy at 9 and 11am Masses  
Refreshments after the 9 and 11 am Masses  
Repository open after Mass, Church Hall  
Youth Mass, 6.30 pm

Mon: Fr. DG: *Day off*

Tues: Toddler Group meet 1.30—3.15 pm SB  
Fr. DG: Diocesan Tribunal Sandhurst 11—5 pm  
Journey in Faith 2—7.30—9.00 pm SB  
Parish Finance committee 7.30 pm SB

Wed: Fr DG: Bishop's House, Portsmouth 10—4pm and mtg at St Swithun's, Southsea, 4.30pm  
Journey in Faith (RCIA), 7.30 pm SB  
Electricity off all day in SB—**Parish Office closed**

Thur: Fr. DG: Diocesan Trustees, 10.30 am Portsmouth

Sat: Syro Malabar Retreat 10—6 pm HG  
The Lord's Flock, (Filipino Grp) 5—8.30 pm SB

### Discover the Saints this Easter

Six evenings on some of the most famous saints continues this Tuesday at 7.30pm, St Bede's Church Hall.

### School Application Forms

I keep being asked to sign school admission forms for St Bedes from parents who are at the same time requesting baptism for their child—the presumption being that I won't mind 'assisting' their application but I do. Such behaviour is wrong. At my suggestion the school's new admission forms now require confirmation from the priest that Sunday Mass attendance is either weekly or less often. This should ensure that places at our school are firstly filled by baptised *and practising* Catholics—those for whom the school primarily exists.

### St. Bede's Kneeler Project

Join us for cake and a cuppa on the 11th May at 2.30 pm. Lots of home-baked goodies to enjoy. All funds raised will be contributing towards the St Bede's Kneeler Project. £1.50 per adult and £1 per child.

### Collections

Thank you for last Sunday's offertory collection which totalled £1,750.94 and the second collection for Clergy Training Fund amounting to £647.00. There is a second collection next weekend for World Communications.

### Flooded toilets!

Twice in recent weeks the toilets at St Bede's have been deliberately flooded by children putting chewing gum over the sinks and leaving the taps on—resulting in water everywhere! In an effort to stop this happening again will parents please accompany their children to the toilet during Mass.

### Sound System

System Design are currently installing at St Bede's a new sound system—including a new loop which hopefully will work all over the church unlike the one installed when the church was built. During this time please be patient if when you call to pray the church is not quite so quiet as normal.

### Christian Aid week 12—18th May

Envelopes will be given out after all Masses on Sunday 12th May, they will be collected on Sunday 19th May.

### Youth Ministry

Spaces are running out for the ARISE weekend on 17th -19th May; girls wanting to go to the retreat need to register before the 5th May. Please contact Angie Carroll for further information—contact details on p.1.

### St Michael's Hospice Fun Run

Why not make a difference and go the distance to support our local hospice? Their annual fun run of either 5km or 10km is on Wednesday 15 May at 7pm, starting and finishing at Down Grange Sports Complex. Registration will be on the night at 6pm inside the rugby Club. Parking at Down Grange is free and there will be use of the rugby club's changing rooms and toilets. For more information: Tel. 848848.

### The Life Charity Shop

Donations and Saturday volunteers are needed at 7 Winchester Street. If you are happy to help call Jenny on 01256 475637 and call the same number if you'd like them to arrange collection from St Bede's Church of any household items which parishioners wish to donate (inc small electrical items).

### Lift to Mass

A parishioner who lives in the Bramley/Sherfield area and attends 11am Sunday Mass, is in need of a lift to Mass, if you are able to help contact the parish office.

## Parish Mass Timetable

### Week beginning 28 April 2013

<b>Sun:</b>	<b><i>Fifth Sunday of Easter (Year C)</i></b>
	9.00 am SB John Bowman & Jack Togher RIP
	11.00 am SB Heather Miller RIP nee Bully
	6.30 pm SB People of the Parish
	<i>See p. 271 of 'The Parish Mass Book.'</i>
<b>Mon:</b>	<i>St Catherine of Siena, Religious &amp; Doctor of the Church</i>
	9.30 am HG Luciano & Antonietta Colella RIP
<b>Tue:</b>	<i>St. Pius V, Pope</i>
	9.30 am SB Sick & Retired Priests
<b>Wed:</b>	<i>Easter/St. Joseph the Worker</i>
	<u>8.30 am</u> HG Keillian O'Reilly RIP (Roache)
<b>Thurs:</b>	<i>St. Athanasius, Bishop &amp; Doctor of the Church</i>
	9.30 am SB Dec. Mbrs Billedo & Oliveros Families
<b>Fri:</b>	<i>St. Philip &amp; St. James, Apostles</i>
	9.30 am HG Gladys Deards RIP
	3.00 pm HG Funeral Mass of Simon Goodier RIP
<b>Sat:</b>	<i>English Martyrs</i>
	9.30 am SB Simon Goodier RIP (Huntley)

*Next Sun: 9.00 am People of the Parish : 11.00 am Stephen Quinn RIP : 6.30 pm Caroline Simpson RIP.*

*Morning Prayer: 9.15 am Mon, Wed & Fri at Holy Ghost Church*

*Rosary: recited after the weekday Mass.*

*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: come and spend time in prayer; this devotion is usually for one hour after the Friday Mass.*

### Confessions

On Sundays at St. Bede's Church from 5.30—6.15 pm.

**Sunday Homily:** Fr Dominic's is usually available online at [www.stbedesbasingstoke.org.uk](http://www.stbedesbasingstoke.org.uk)

### Missio (Red Box) Collections



If you have a red box at home, please bring it to the parish office for counting. You could count the money at home, take the money to the bank, and give a cheque to the parish office. All boxes that have been brought in have been counted, and can be collected this weekend. Thank you for your support.

### Mayor's Charity Show

The new mayor of Basingstoke & Deane is Councillor Chansopha Biermann. The Mayor's Charity show will be at the Anvil on Sunday 5th May at 7pm and will celebrate multiculturalism. More details to come.

### Please pray this week for:

- for Simon Goodier who has died aged 32 and whose funeral will be at Holy Ghost Church this Friday 3rd May at 3 pm. We offer our sympathy to his partner Lisa and to Charlotte his mum.
- June de la Roque RIP, mother of Roz Spilsbury, who has died in Jersey after a long illness; may she rest in peace.
- the sick and housebound including: Toni Harper, Andrea Thrower, John Hickey, Helga Sony, Evelyn Dyke, Denis Grehan, Dave Webb, Kathleen O'Connor, Charlotte King, Carmel Hyland, Larry Hynan, James Lickey, Olivia Chard, Esther Clarkson, Cathy Short, Sean Walsh, Norleen Mejico-Cruz, Gary Smith, Bernabe Estrade, Christine Williams, Guiseppina Colella, Michelle Morley, Betty Dyer, Ameila, Dante & Anna Scattone, Jacqueline Hudson, Jemma West, Ian Williams, Juliet Mitchell, Anne & Stephen Neale, Rosemarie Jordy, Maureen Donnelly, Shirley McKenzie, Irene Manzano, Eileen Maloney, Joan Gomes, Alison Hawksworth, Ramona Otero-Aldao, Carmel Harding and Pat Olohan.
- Fr Dominic as he prepares to move early August to be Dean of St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth and for Fr Chris Rutledge who will replace him here in early September as parish priest.

### Calling all married couples

There are some places available on the Marriage Encounter weekend taking place at Wokefield Park, near Reading on 21-23 June. This is an opportunity for couples of any age to enrich their relationships in a caring and relaxed atmosphere. A weekend of discovery and renewal. Interested? Please contact Mary and Chris Farrall on 02380 275401 or visit the website [www.wvme.org.uk](http://www.wvme.org.uk)

### Dementia Awareness

There will be an interactive meeting led by Kathryn Griffin of MIND on Monday 20 May from 10.15am (for around one hour). This will be at St Joseph's Church. Places are limited so for more information or to book a place please contact Anthonette Coombs on 07500 827340.

### African Rhythms



Fr. Thom's next session of African music is on Tuesday 30th April, 6—7.30 pm at St. Joseph's. All are welcome

### Other local churches Sunday Mass times

#### Sacred Heart, Hook

- Sat 6pm & Sun 10am

#### St Joseph's, Basingstoke

- Sat 6pm & Sun 9am and 11am

#### St Michael's, Tadley

- Sat 6pm & Sun 9.30 am

#### St Peter & St Paul, Kingsclere

- Sun 11.15 am

## Project XY (Yr10-11)



Our new after school youth group is about to begin. We need a name and hopefully during our first meeting you'll choose one! The sessions will include debates on social topics, crafting, movie reviews, some fun games, faith exploring and of course some food! (hot meals will be provided and a £2 donation is kindly asked to cover costs)

The group is going to be held twice a month at St. Joseph's Church hall from 4-6pm on Thursdays. Our first session is on the 9<sup>th</sup> May and the following will be on 23<sup>rd</sup> May. Do come along and be part of the project!

### SAVIO group (College age+)

Our next session is on the 9<sup>th</sup> May from 7:30-9pm. Come for some faith sharing and practical ways of rooting your believe whilst having some fun. A £1 donation towards refreshment is welcome.

### ARISE- girls retreat

Places are filling up rapidly so don't miss out! Final registration is 3<sup>rd</sup> May so if you wish to come along there is still time to join us. Please contact Angie on 07713567161 to book [www.youthstorm.org.uk](http://www.youthstorm.org.uk)

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## Petition to the EU

### Bishop Philip Egan requests our help

A petition is being organised by a coalition of pro-life organisations throughout Europe in order to provide protection for the human embryo. To be successful 1 million signatures are necessary, 54,000 of which should come from the UK. The petition can be accessed on <http://www.oneofus.eu/>. If this campaign is successful, it will be a very positive step towards full respect for human



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Basingstoke, RG21 7ED

Tel: 01268 476837

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## LATIN MASS

Sung Mass in the Extraordinary Form will take place at 6pm on Sunday 2nd June at St Joseph's, Basingstoke (Mass setting: Mass XI "Orbis Factor"). Once again we welcome Fr Phillip Harris and invite you to come and experience the 'Mass of Ages'. For more information please visit the Latin Mass Society at: [www.lms.org.uk](http://www.lms.org.uk)

## The Life of Christ

An Open Air Play in Three Acts  
Tuesday 25th June—Sunday 30th June 2013  
Wintershall Estate, Wintershall, Bramley, GU5 0LR  
[www.wintershall-estate.com](http://www.wintershall-estate.com)

## CAFOD GOLF DAY



The CAFOD Portsmouth office will be running a Golf Day at the Royal Winchester Golf Club, Sarum Road, Winchester SO22 5QE, on Tuesday 21st May. The competition is for teams of 4 persons but individual applications are welcome. Please support CAFOD by entering this event. Full details and applications forms can be obtained from CAFOD Portsmouth, 01252 329385 or [portsmouth@cafod.org.uk](mailto:portsmouth@cafod.org.uk)

**ENOUGH FOOD FOR EVERYONE IF LONDON EVENT – on Saturday 8th June..** A coalition of over 100 UK agencies and NGOs (including CAFOD and Christian Aid) who are coming together this year to tackle the issue of global hunger, invite you to take part in a special event ahead of the G8 meeting to send a strong message to world leaders and demand action on hunger. Full details of the event will be confirmed soon but it will take place in Hyde Park in London on Saturday 8th June from 11.00am until 5.00pm. It will be a great family-friendly day out and it will include an ecumenical service. To register your interest and for more information please contact the CAFOD Portsmouth Office [portsmouth@cafod.org.uk](mailto:portsmouth@cafod.org.uk) or 01252 329385

## Healing Mass

Please note that the next Mass of Healing at St. Joseph's Ashurst will be on Monday 6th May at 7.15pm.

## POLSKA + MSZA ŚWIĘTA+

Polish Mass

**18 MAJA (SOBOTA) GODZ. 18.00**

18.05.2013 (Saturday) 6pm

**Zapraszamy na próbę śpiewu około 1 godz. przed Mszą - od 17.00 (Teksty będą wydrukowane)!**

**Okazja do Spowiedzi pół godziny przed Mszą – od 17.30.  
Kościół rzym.-kat. Holy Ghost, Sherborne Road, RG21 5TD  
Serdecznie Zapraszamy!**

